

NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Service, Inc. (McLeodUSA or Applicant) filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina to amend its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to expand its authority to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange telecommunications services and facilities-based interexchange services. The Applicant currently holds a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide resold intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina. The Applicant seeks authority to provide its services to residential and business customers throughout the State of South Carolina, however initially plans to provide local exchange services in the service areas of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. McLeodUSA seeks statewide authority so that it may expand its local service areas in South Carolina as market conditions may warrant. In addition, the Applicant has requested that certain of its interexchange telecommunications services be regulated in accordance with the principles and procedures established for alternative regulation in Order Nos. 95-1734 and 96-55 in Docket No. 95-661-C. Also, McLeodUSA requests that the Commission regulate its local exchange services in accordance with the principles and procedures established for flexible regulation in Order No. 98-165 in Docket No. 97-467-C.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210 and is available through Brett P. Ferenczak, Esquire, SWIDLER BERLIN SHEREFF FIEDMAN, LLP, 3000 K Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, D.C. 20007-5116.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at **2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, July 3, 2001**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room, 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws – Section 58-9-280, as amended, the Commission will invoke the 120-day period allowed for consideration of this matter.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing should notify Gary E. Walsh, Executive Director, at the address below, and Brett P. Ferenczak, Esquire, at the previously stated address in writing, on or before **June 1, 2001**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to **Docket No. 2001-113-C**.

Any person who wishes to present his views to the Public Service Commission may do so in writing, on or before **June 1, 2001**. Please refer to **Docket No. 2001-113-C**.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with Commission's Procedures, on or before **June 1, 2001**. Please refer to **Docket No. 2001-113-C**.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission by dialing (803) 896-5105.

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